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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Komeyama et al.

Serial No.: 10/801,692 **Group Art Unit:** 3679

Filed: March 17, 2004 **Examiner:** Gregory John Binda

For: CROSS SHAFT JOINT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-17 are all the claims presently pending in the application. The specification and claims 1 and 3 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 4-17 are added. Claims 1 and 15 are independent.